

## HEALTH CARE

(Mr. WILSON of South Carolina asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Madam Speaker, included in the 2,000 pages of the Pelosi takeover bill are massive cuts in Medicare that will hurt seniors across the country. According to the nonpartisan Congressional Budget Office, these cuts are \$162 billion, causing many seniors to lose their current coverage or limit their choices. But that is not all. The Pelosi takeover also increases seniors' Medicare prescription drug premiums by 20 percent over the next decade.

These negative policies hurt seniors. That is why I am pleased that senior organizations like Sixty Plus Association and the Senior Citizens League stand tall for seniors against the Pelosi takeover.

Squeezing Medicare and Medicaid half a trillion dollars is an attack on senior citizens. A better bill is H.R. 3400 for affordability and accessibility. Our bill will save jobs, while the Pelosi takeover will kill jobs with record 10.2 unemployment.

In conclusion, God bless our troops, and we will never forget September 11th in the global war on terrorism. Our prayers and sympathy are with the families of Fort Hood, Texas.

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ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER  
PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Ms. DEGETTE). Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the Chair will postpone further proceedings today on motions to suspend the rules on which a recorded vote or the yeas and nays are ordered, or on which the vote incurs objection under clause 6 of rule XX.

Record votes on postponed questions will be taken later.

CONGRATULATING THE NEW YORK  
YANKEES

Mr. TOWNS. Madam Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution (H. Res. 893) congratulating the 2009 Major League Baseball World Series Champions, the New York Yankees.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

The text of the resolution is as follows:

H. RES. 893

Whereas the New York Yankees are the most successful franchise in the history of Major League Baseball;

Whereas prior to this year the Yankees had won 26 World Series Championships, the most in the Major Leagues;

Whereas this historic franchise is located in the Bronx and is known as the "Bronx Bombers";

Whereas the Yankees franchise has included all-time great players;

Whereas for many years the Yankees played baseball in the historic Yankee Stadium;

Whereas this year the Yankees opened a new stadium and hope to emulate the success achieved in the "House that Ruth Built";

Whereas during the 2009 regular season, the Yankees had the best record in baseball, going 103-59;

Whereas the Yankees finished at the top of the American League East Division;

Whereas the Yankees went on to beat the Minnesota Twins 3 games to 0;

Whereas the Yankees then faced off against the Los Angeles Angels of Anaheim in the American League Championship Series, and emerged victorious in 6 games;

Whereas that victory represented the 40th American League Pennant that the Yankees have won;

Whereas the Yankees were matched up against a valiant Philadelphia Phillies squad for the World Series title;

Whereas the Yankees were able to defeat the defending World Series Champions by 4 games to 2;

Whereas this victory represents the Yankees' 27th World Series Championship win;

Whereas this number of championship wins is 17 more than their next closest competitor;

Whereas the contributions of the Yankees' players throughout the season were all vital in securing the title; and

Whereas the Yankees were guided to victory by Manager Joe Girardi, General Manager Brian Cashman, President Randy Levine, and the leadership of Hank and Hal Steinbrenner: Now therefore be it

*Resolved*, That the House of Representatives congratulate—

(1) the 2009 Major League Baseball World Series Champions, the New York Yankees, for an outstanding season and a record 27th World Series Championship win; and

(2) the players, coaches, staff and leadership of the Yankees organization for their great success.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from New York (Mr. TOWNS) and the gentleman from Utah (Mr. CHAFFETZ) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from New York.

## GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. TOWNS. Madam Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members have 5 legislative days in which to revise and extend their remarks.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from New York?

There was no objection.

Mr. TOWNS. I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Madam Speaker, I rise today as a proud New Yorker to call up this resolution honoring the New York Yankees on the occasion of their victory in the 2009 World Series.

With this win, the Yankees once again have broken their own record as the most successful Major League Baseball franchise, and of course the most successful professional sports franchise in our Nation's history.

The achievements of the Yankees are made even more remarkable by the high caliber of the teams they faced throughout the season and in the playoffs. The defending champions, the Philadelphia Phillies, had an outstanding season and performed well during the World Series. But Wednes-

day night, the Yankees once again returned the World Series trophy to New York City, the 27th time they have done this.

We are proud of our Yankees, and I could go on and on for hours discussing the Yankees. I recall just last weekend I spent time with friends of mine, Dr. Witherspoon and Dr. Brown, talking about the Yankees of yesteryear and today. And of course we talked about the long line of outstanding players and the great success that they have had. We talked about Babe Ruth, Mickey Mantle, and of course now we can talk about Matsui as well.

We have important business to consider in this House today and tomorrow, but it is fitting that we take a small amount of time now to congratulate the New York Yankees on their World Series victory.

Madam Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. CHAFFETZ. Madam Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

I rise today in support of House Resolution 893, congratulating the 2009 Major League Baseball World Series champions, the New York Yankees.

For the 27th time in the history of the World Series, the Yankees have once again proven to be the champions by defeating the Philadelphia Phillies to win the World Series. Again they have distinguished themselves as the dominant team in baseball.

On a cold November evening, the game kept fans riveted to their seats until nearly midnight in the sixth game of the series with the Phillies until Mariano Rivera threw his 41st and final pitch of the game to end the game.

The Yankees, also affectionately known as the "Bronx Bombers" because of their stadium's location in the Bronx, achieved another exciting victory for the storied franchise. After finishing the regular season with baseball's best record of 103 wins, they showed their consummate professionalism by winning it all.

They finished the regular season by defeating the Minnesota Twins and then the Angels to capture the American League Championship. Moving on to the World Series, the Yankees defeated the National League's champion Phillies by winning four out of six games in the series even though the Phillies gave it their all to the very end.

It is of particular note that the Yankees' 27th World Series wins puts them in an unequaled place in baseball history. They have now won 17 more World Series than their closest competitor.

I also want to congratulate the rest of the Yankees organization, all of whom deserve credit for providing a terrific season for so many devoted fans. I would also like to congratulate the Philadelphia Phillies, their fans and their players for putting together an exciting season.